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## Action plan 2023

**Union of the Baltic Sea Planning Cities Commission** has been operating since 1998 creating a network of urban planners, architects, construction engineers and other specialists related to city planning. Members of the Commission meet during seminars. The meetings, (both in-person and on-line) are a platform for the exchange of views and experiences and an opportunity to interact with professionals from other cities and countries.

During in-person meetings, participants from UBC Member Cities take part in workshop - work together for 3 days, in the host city, exchange their experiences in a practical way, trying to find solutions, drawing urban concepts. The workshops' results are presented to a wider audience, local politicians, press, NGOs etc. Choosing the topic of the meeting and indicating area that are the subject of the workshop lies on the representatives of the city, that hosts the seminar – usually these are the topics on which attention is currently focused.

The on-line meetings/webinars create the possibility of discussing current urban challenges, involving the experts from various fields collecting and disseminating good examples and practices.

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In 2023 the UBC Planning Cities Commission:

- will organize **on-line meeting** in the Spring 2023 on current city planning theme to be decided,
- in cooperation with Sustainable Cities Commission will organize **in-person joint seminar** in Turku 12-15 September 2023 „Maritime Turku”,
- will support the UBC and strengthen the UBC cooperation in the field of city planning, collect and disseminate good practices, continue to involve experts,
- will cooperate with other UBC Commissions and other networks.

Members of the Steering Group will furthermore attend board meetings when invited and necessary.

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